

to the President of the Security Council (S/8945),³⁹

“(b) Letter dated 29 December 1968 from the Acting Permanent Representative of Israel addressed to the President of the Security Council (S/8946).”³⁹

At its 1461st meeting, on 30 December 1968, the Council decided to invite the representative of Saudi Arabia to participate, without vote, in the discussion of the question.

Resolution 262 (1968)

of 31 December 1968

The Security Council,

Having considered the agenda contained in document S/Agenda/1462,

Having noted the contents of the letter of the Permanent Representative of Lebanon (S/8945),⁴⁰

Having noted the supplementary information pro-

³⁹ *Ibid.*

⁴⁰ *Ibid.*

vided by the Chief of Staff of the United Nations Truce Supervision Organization contained in documents S/7930/Add.107⁴⁰ and Add.108,⁴⁰

Having heard the statements of the representative of Lebanon and of the representative of Israel concerning the grave attack committed against the civil International Airport of Beirut,

Observing that the military action by the armed forces of Israel against the civil International Airport of Beirut was premeditated and of a large scale and carefully planned nature,

Gravely concerned about the deteriorating situation resulting from this violation of the Security Council resolutions,

Deeply concerned about the need to assure free uninterrupted international civil air traffic,

1. *Condemns* Israel for its premeditated military action in violation of its obligations under the Charter and the cease-fire resolutions;

2. *Considers* that such premeditated acts of violence endanger the maintenance of the peace;

3. *Issues* a solemn warning to Israel that if such acts were to be repeated, the Council would have to consider further steps to give effect to its decisions;

4. *Considers* that Lebanon is entitled to appropriate redress for the destruction it has suffered, responsibility for which has been acknowledged by Israel.

Adopted unanimously at the 1462nd meeting.

COMPLAINT BY HAITI

At its 1427th meeting, on 27 May 1968, the Council decided to invite the representative of Haiti to participate, without vote, in the discussion of the item entitled “Letter dated 21 May 1968 from the Permanent Representative *ad interim* of Haiti addressed to the President of the Security Council (S/8593).”⁴¹

⁴¹ *Ibid.*, Supplement for April, May and June 1968.